

SAN JUAN COUNTY INDEX.

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AZTEC, NEW MEXICO, FRIDAY, MAY 19, 1899.

NO. 15.

Decoration Day.

Memorial Day exercises will be held in Aztec this year, such is the decision of Lincoln Post No. 13, U. S. A. R., in whose hands the matter is placed. Last year the services were at Farmington, and the custom has been to alternate between the two towns.

An interesting program for the day has been prepared, and a meeting of our citizens is called for tomorrow (Saturday) night at the school house for the purpose of making arrangements for the decoration of the church and to attend to other details.

The communications printed here with give the program and the list of committees:

Programme.

The old soldiers will form on Main street at 10:30 and march to the church. The following is the programme:

1. Music..... By the Choir
2. Prayer..... Rev. R. A. Gable
3. Music..... By the Choir
4. Song..... By Sons and Daughters of Veterans
5. Address..... Rev. W. B. Biddle
6. Music..... By the Choir
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At a meeting of Lincoln Post No. 13, U. S. A. R., held at Farmington May 13, 1899, to make arrangements for the proper observance of Memorial day, the following business was transacted:

Aztec was selected as the place of observance. Col. W. H. Williams was elected commander to fill vacancy caused by the absence of Commander King. The following named comrades were selected for committees of arrangements:

W. H. Williams, C. H. McHenry, Walter Weston, Adjutant.

Parties from Utah who recently visited the Bloomfield and Salome mesas, are seriously considering a proposition to take out a ditch from the San Juan river where Largo, to cover the big mesa named. Of all the irrigation possibilities in the county there is none more attractive to the casual observer than this. The gentlemen who recently purchased Mr. Knight's orchards were in the party that investigated the scheme and members of which are now agitating on its desirability. The building of this ditch would certainly be a boon to the development and progress of the San Juan river valley.

San Juan Stuff.

They seem determined to have San Juan county fruit in sight at the various fairs throughout the territory this fall. Lately we printed a favorable article from Albuquerque, soliciting some of our county's fruit products for the territorial fair in that city. Now the New Mexican comes at us with this fervent appeal to "represent" at the horticultural fair at Santa Fe, and "there are others".

"San Juan county has received considerable complimentary notice from the press in this portion of the territory, and it is now the duty of the citizens of that favored spot to prove that all the bouquets thrown at them were deserved. This can be done by sending a handsome exhibit of the products of the orchards of that county to the territorial horticultural fair at Santa Fe. The newspapers have told of the luscious pears and the handsome apples of San Juan, but there is no evidence as good as that of seeing, and the orchardists should keep their wondrous products in evidence."

Some unknown patriot springs the following: "I've licked a dozen stamps today for telegrams I sent, I licked and stuck one on a bill which I paid my rent; I licked a stamp to paste upon a note which I received, and then I licked another one to make the mortgage good. I've licked these stamps to show that I respect my country's seal and now I'd like to lick the man that introduced the bill."

Financial Statement.

Following is a statement of the finances of San Juan county on April 30th, 1899, as shown by trial balance taken from the treasurer's ledger:

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| Cash | 2280 70 | |
| First National Bank | 1010 15 | |
| Colorado State Bank | 1700 00 | |
| County Fund | 8 125 00 | |
| Interest Fund | 241 00 | |
| School Fund | 225 00 | |
| County Road | 37 30 | |
| Collector's Commission, 1898 | 157 48 | |
| Assessor's Commission, 1898 | 82 48 | |
| Assessor's Commission, 1897 | 8 00 | |
| Assessor's Commission, 1896 | 11 42 | |
| Assessor's Commission, 1895 | 3 00 | |
| Territorial Treasurer | 119 15 | |
| School Districts | 28 75 | |
| Land Office | 3 75 | |
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